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Six severall victories obtained against the Kings Forces neere Oxford, by severall Fights, on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday last.

ON Tuesday the 22. of April, 1645. there were quartered between two and three thousand of Sir *Thomas Fairfaxes* horse about Oxford, to stop the Kings Artillery and Carriages from passing out, which were ready in Oxford (with a convoy) to march (as intelligence was given) towards *Rupert*. And Lieutenant-Generall *Cromwell* having intelligence that they intended to passe through Shotoverwood, drew towards Woodstock and so thereabouts towards Blip, to be ready to attend their motion, in case they came that way.

On Wednesday the 23. of April, Lieutenant-Generall *Cromwell* had intelligence of about 100. horse and foot that were marching towards him, and that evening some of our men shewed themselves in a smal partie, which drew the enemy near, and command was given by Lieutenant-Generall *Cromwell*, that all our Forces should be in a readinesse, and upon their watch all the night for feare of the enemy, which was carefully done, Lieutenant-Generall *Cromwell* himselfe being in his own person

person (to incourage them) all the while with them, for there came intelligence that the enemy intended to watch for an opportunity to take our forces at an advantage, and then suddenly to fall upon them, of which they much presumed: but found our men too vigilant for them.

On Thursday the 24. of Aprill, Lievtenant-Generall *Cromwell* fell upon them neare Islip (where were a Brigade of above 1000. under the command of the Earl of *Northampton*) consisting of his own Regiment, and the Lord *Wilmots* Regiment, beat them at their own game, fought with them with much gallantry (though the best horse the King hath.) And at the second charge entered their whole Body, disordered them, which was followed with so much valour that in short time they totally routed them, and pursued them above 3. miles, killed and took 200. and odd, & about 60. were drowned by making such speed to get over a water. We took also 400. Horse, and 3. Colours, about 20. Officers, and divers Armes, and wounded many of their men besides, who fled into Oxford, and some into Blechington-house. But Lievtenant-Generall *Cromwell* sent away his prisoners and marched against Blechington, and summoned Colonell *Vindebank* to surrender that Garrison, which after some dispute about it (being strong surrounded) it was surrendered to Lievtenant-Generall *Cromwell* upon condition for the souldiers to march away with their lives; Lievtenant-Generall *Cromwell* took there 250. Musquets, 70. Horse, 100. Pikes, and other Armes, 3. barrells of Gunpowder, with Match and other Ammunition.

On Friday the 25. of April, our Horse were divided into severall Squadrons, both for conveniency of quarter and also to attend the motions of the enemy, and Colonell *John Fines* quartered towards Wilcot, Lievtenant-Generall *Cromwell* with his own Regiment drawing betweene him and Oxford, and this day some straglers of the enemies were taken prisoners.

On Saturday the 26 of April, Major-Generall *Browne* having notice that Sir *Thomas Fairfaxes* Horſe were ſo neere him, drew a partie out of Abingdon to march that way, to be in a readineſſe (if occaſion were) who marching towards Longworth, had notice of a partie of the enimie to be about Buckland, ſo they marched that way, but the enimie was gone toward Farringdon; but Major-Generall *Brownes* Forces followed them ſo cloſe, that they fell upon them, and took a Captaine, and 3 other Officers, and 10 Priſoners, with which they intended preſently to returne towards Abingdon; but having intelligence of another partie of the enemies that were coming from the Deviſes, intending (as was ſuppoſed) for Oxford, Scouts were ſent to find them out, and having diſcovered them, Major-Generall *Brownes* Forces marched unto them, fell upon them, and took a Colonell, a Sargeant-Major, 3 Captaines, 3 Lieutenants, and divers other Priſoners; beſides Horſe, and Armes, and carried them to Abbingdon.

The ſame evening Colonell *Fines* (with his Regiment) having intelligence of a partie of the enemies that were come neere Witney, drew towards them, and with much gallantrie fell upon them, and took from them 120 Horſe, 3 Colours, 40 Priſoners, and 50 Armes.

The ſame night newes came into Abingdon, that that day, viz. Saturday the 26 of April, Colonell *Windebank* was brought before a Councell of War in Oxford, about the ſurrendring of Bletchington-Houſe to Lieutenant-Generall *Cromwell*; and that divers great perſons in Oxford were much enraged againſt him, taking it very ill, that a Garrifon of ſo great conſequence to them (as they value it) ſhould be ſo ſoon loſt; in ſo much, that it is beleev'd Col. *Windebank* will be put to death for it.

The ſame night Lieutenant-Generall *Cromwell* had intelligence, that a partie of the enemies Foot (under the comr of Colonell Sir *Henry Vaughan*, formerly a Member

House of Commons; but since one of the Juniors, were about Witney towards Farringdon; wherefore hee drew that way, intending to fall upon them the next morning, if hee could reach them.

On Sunday the 27 of April, Lieutenant-Generall Cromwell sent out Scouts, to discover the motions of Colonell Vaughan, and receiving advertisement where he quartered neer Bampton-Bush, hee marched on that way, parting his Body into severall Squadrons, and with valiant courage marched up close to them, the enemies having little courage to fight, (so terrible is the verie name of Cromwell to them) begged quarter for their lives, which was granted them; and so Lieutenant-Generall Cromwell took there Colonell Sir Henry Vaughan, their Commander in chiefe, 2 Lieutenant-Colonels, 1 Sargeant-Major, 5 Capitaines, 8 Lieutenants, 8 Ensignes, 1 Doctor, who was Chaplaine to them, his name is Dunse; 20 Sargeants, and other inferior Officers; 230 Prisoners, and about 200 Armes; some powder, match, and Ammunition, with such provisions as they had. The rest of the day was spent in the publike worship of God; and thanks was given to the Lord (thorowout those our Armies, which were within hearing of the great victories;) for the same.

On Munday the 28 of April, Lieutenant-Generall Cromwell marched towards Abingdon with his Prisoners, and about one of the clock being come within three miles of Abingdon, and some congratulations with Major-Generall Browne; he sent his Prisoners to Abingdon, and a Convoy with them, himselfe marching to Yeilford, having a further designe, whereof (if God permit) he hopes to give a good account in few dayes, for he is full of action, and performes all with much gallantrie, even forgetting himselfe and his naturall rest, to do the Kingdome full and opportune service.

So indeed all his Souldiers, with one resolution, doe
equally

equally expresse so much valour for the good and safetie of the Kingdome, as can be expected.

Thus have I in briefe given you the sum of each dayes proceedings of those severall victories, which God hath been pleased to give to Sir *Thomas Fairfaxes* Forces, and Major-Generall *Brownes* on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday last.

And for your further satisfaction, here followeth a perfect List of the particulars of each victorie.

*A List of the particulars of each victorie,
as followeth :*

I. *A List of Lieutenant General Cromwells Victory neere Ifflip,
the 24. of April. 1645.*

200. and odd kild and taken.	3. Colours taken;
60. Drowned.	20. Officers kild and taken.
400. Horse taken.	Their whole Body routed.

II. *A List of what was taken at Blechington by Lieutenant-General
Cromwell, the 24. of April. 1645.*

250. Muskets.	3. Barrells of powder.
70. Horse.	100. Pikes, with other armes.

III. *A List of what was taken by Major Generall Brown (neere
Farrington) the 26. of April. 1645.*

1. Captaine.	18. Prisoners.
3. Other Officers.	14. Armes.

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IV. *A List of what Major Generall Browne tooke of a party coming from the Devizes towards Oxford, April 26. 1645.*

Colonell Conquest. || 3. Captains. (Soners.
Serjeant-Major Bamfield. || 3. Lieutenants, and other pri-

V. *A List of what was taken by Colonell Fines, at Wistrey, the 26. of April. 1645.*

3. Colours. || 120. Horse.
10. Officers. || 40. Prisoners, and 30. Armes.

VI. *A List of what was taken by Lieutenant-General Cromwell, at Bampton-Bush, the 27. of April. 1645.*

Colonell Sir Henry Vaughan, 8. Lieutenants.
one of the Juniors and Com- 8. Ensignes.
mander in chief. Doctor Dunsc. Chaplain to
Lieutenant-Colonell Lee. Col. Vaughan.
Lieutenant-Colonel Littleton 20. Serjeants, and other infe-
Serjeant-Major Lee. rior Officers.
Captain Powell. 230. Prisoners.
Captain Webster. 200. Armes, with some bar-
Captain Lee. rels of powder, match, and
Captain Lewis. other provisions.
Captain Lister.

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|| 3. Chief Officers.





